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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 1908.

THE NEW MEMBER.

Although there was never any doubt that the nomination of Mr. Murray Stewart to be the representative of the Chamber of Commerce at the Legislative Council would be carried without opposition, the fact that he was not asked to give the slightest expression to his views on any particular question affecting the interests of the Chamber is eloquent evidence of the confidence which the mercantile community repose in him. Not that it was at all essential that Mr. Stewart should propound his opinions before the members of the Chamber of Commerce, for his attitude on the vital affairs of the Colony have never been concealed, nor have they been clothed in any but the plainest language. For that reason, it was possible that a candidate more pliable and less firmly entrenched behind his own convictions might have had the ghost of a chance if set up in opposition to Mr. Murray Stewart, but then, again, he is no extremist, but is open to argument until the last word has been said. As he remarked at yesterday's meeting of the Chamber of Commerce: "I like to preserve my liberty of choice up to the last moment of the time appointed." This is independence to be admired, and the Chamber was entirely with him when he assumed that in nominating him to the position left vacant by the departure of Mr. E. A. Hewitt he would, if elected, take his seat at the Council as a free and not a fettered man. That is an enviable trust which has been accorded Mr. Stewart, and the role of independent representative of the Colony's commercial world is rendered thereby difficult to fill. As a delegate, whose views and opinions have been moulded in cast-iron to suit any particular case, such as to elect Mr. Stewart would have little to do beyond presenting to the Government the cause which he had

espoused and promised to support. His personal attitude, his own convictions would have to be subordinated to those of the party behind him, and, no doubt, if he were sufficiently sycophantic he would loyally adhere to the terms on which he had been nominated. But as an independent voter who is permitted a free-hand in representing the varied interests of the members of the Chamber of Commerce, his duty is rendered infinitely more onerous than in the former case. There was one significant sentence in the remarks which he addressed to the Chamber yesterday afternoon when defining his position. "When the Government appear to me to be wrong," he said, "I shall say so; and when I think they are right I shall also say so." One of the unfortunate results of living in a circumscribed area is that as everybody knows everybody else, or has reason to fear that adverse criticism may recoil upon them personally, the saving grace of honest criticism is discarded in favour of a blatant, purposeless, ignorant and slavish praise-beslaving of everybody and everything. Of course such a policy of lip-homage gratifies the great majority of mankind, but Mr. Murray Stewart will have none of it, and with that attitude he will find favour in the eyes of all fair-minded people. He made a shrewd hit when he observed: "We are only too familiar with unfairness in attacks on public servants." Undoubtedly we are, and the worst of it is that public servants have no redress, they cannot return blow for blow or come out and joust with their detractors. Not that the public servants are immaculate or that their actions will always bear the brunt of straightforward and honest opposition; the trouble is that the criticism showered so freely is not equally distributed. The Government and officialdom get nine-tenths of it all and the helpless, unsupported members of the community get the remainder. The conscienceless time-server escapes scot-free. Naturally, the Government take up a larger space in the public eye than anybody else; and, again, it is always, or nearly always, safe to run counter to it. But the fact remains that the Government, like the devil, is usually not half so black as it is painted by irresponsible and incompetent critics. At all events, we have Mr. Stewart's suggestion that while the Government may not always be right it is certainly not always wrong, and we have conscientiously endeavoured to prove our adherence to that view. Mr. Stewart is in favour generally of the Bill which has for its object the amendment of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, but here again he states incisively that he will only be guided by the arguments submitted to the Legislative Council when the Bill is in Committee. Well may he hope "that when the present Bill is passed it may be the last of its kind for many a day." There is nothing more harmful to the steady progress of the Colony than a system of tinkering and tampering, chopping and changing which leaves land-holders, property-owners, and tenants in a state of perpetual uncertainty and unrest. If the passing of this Bill achieves the result which everybody earnestly hopes to see attained then one of the most vexed questions which afflict and perturb those who have vested or indirect interests in property will have been settled for at least a generation to come. Mr. Murray's manly speech was devoid of those ornate periods which frequently mean little or nothing and are capable of any construction whatever. It is little wonder then that his nomination was hailed with acclamation, and we feel no little pride in having been the first to predict that he would be the one and only choice of the hard-headed, far-sighted and astute business men of Hongkong.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

This morning, following the usual practice, Mr. Justice Wise opened and immediately adjourned the Criminal Sessions until tomorrow morning, when jury-men are expected to attend.

A COOLIE named Leung 'ee, residing at 20, Pokfulam Road, got three weeks' hard labour and four hours' stocks for theft at the Police Court, to-day. He was accused of entering the servants' quarter of the Bacteriological Institute last night and removing about \$10 worth of clothing, belonging to matrons and the laboratory attendant.

A TOKIO dispatch of the 12th inst. says:—It is improbable that any Bill for the subsidizing of Marquis Katsura's Oriental Colonization Company, which is intended to operate extensively in Korea, will be introduced during this session of the Diet which is now drawing to a close, owing to the Prince's ill-health and his objections regarding the details of the organization.

THE Chief Justice, Sir Francis Pigott, reserved his judgment yesterday afternoon in the case in which Lau Yeong Wood and Lam Choy, contractors, sought to recover from the Standard Oil Company of New York the sum of \$70,000, being for work done and materials supplied at the request of the Standard Oil Company for their works at Lai-chi-kok. The case lasted eight days, four of which were occupied by Counsel to open the case. Mr. M. W. Slade, instructed by Mr. George A. Hastings, of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, appeared on behalf of the plaintiffs. The Hon. Mr. H. K. Follett, K.C., instructed by Mr. R. P. Atkinson, of Messrs. Deacons, Looker and Deacons, represented the defendant.

The Yarn Trade.

THREATENED JAPANESE INVASION.

A LEADING MERCHANT INTERVIEWED.

The appearance of the translation of the circular in Chinese issued by the Japan Cotton Spinners Association in our last evening's issue, together with our comments thereon, has aroused a considerable amount of interest in commercial circles on account of the threatened invasion of the China Yarn Market by Japanese competitors by means of very questionable methods. The value of the Yarn Trade to Hongkong is of no less an amount than \$15,000,000 annually in a normal year. In this amount is not taken into consideration the value of the trade in the shipping firms engaged therein, nor are the side profits and turn over taken into account by way of marine insurance on the value of freight while in transit from India to Hongkong and thence to ports serving as feeders to the consuming districts in the interior. The value of godown rents in Hongkong, premiums on fire insurance and the commissions derivable by the bankers in the buying and selling of the very large remittances have also been omitted in the aggregate reckoning of the \$15,000,000 total. These introductory remarks suffice to convince even the uninitiated of the value of the Yarn Trade as an important prop in the commercial fabric of the Colony. With a view to ascertaining in what light this new threatened Japanese invasion, first made public in these columns, is regarded by the merchants in Hongkong, a member of the staff of this journal sought and obtained an interview with the managing partner of a leading firm of yarn importers in Hongkong. When the object of our visit was announced, the gentleman at once observed that the question was one fraught with considerable interest to the trade of the Colony. In his opinion, the new method proposed by the Japan Cotton Spinners Association was distinctly prejudicial to the Indian trade.

"How is it prejudicial?"

"In this way: the scheme is of the nature of unfair competition. It introduces an element of speculation which appeals in a peculiar manner to the Chinese people."

"You mean gambling?"

"Yes, gambling essentially."

"But you don't object to Japanese competition as such?"

"No. We are always prepared to face and fight fair competition and are willing to abide by the inexorable laws of the survival of the fittest. The methods proposed under the Japanese scheme do not come within the definition of fair competition. They seek to introduce a pernicious element into a legitimate trade which cannot be countenanced and must be discouraged."

"Would the perniciousness of the evil be confined to the yarn trade alone?"

"No. It will affect trade in general."

Asked for his opinion as to the attitude of other importers engaged in this trade towards this latest Japanese move, the merchants unhesitatingly affirmed that the answers he had given to our questions and the statements he had advanced practically embodied the views of all firms interested in the Indian yarn trade. As to the position of Chinese dealers he thought that those who limited their transactions to the spinnings of the Bombay Mills coincided with those of the importers in general, whereas the natives who dealt in the coarser qualities of Japanese yarn would not improbably throw in their lot with their Japanese principals and, with them, would go in for this new form of gambling introduced under the Osaka Association's scheme.

"Would the scheme be regarded as a gambling one in the light of the Hongkong Ordinance?"

"That is not for me to say."

"Will any action be taken in order to defeat the sinister object of the Japanese mill-owners?"

The gentleman, who is in a position to make an authoritative statement on the subject, preferred at this stage not to commit himself to any definite assertion. We will trust, however, and our editorial suggestion of yesterday is reiterated, that the Chamber of Commerce and the China Association might jointly make representations on the initiative of the merchants to Government in order to defeat an attempt on the part of our trade rivals in Japan to undermine the source of a very valuable branch of commerce which contributed in the past in no immaterial manner to the stability of the Colony's present-day commercial prosperity. In thus protecting the interests of Hongkong, we should at the same time be indirectly benefiting merchants, traders, and brokers alike in Shanghai where the existence of several large cotton spinning and weaving mills stands to suffer far more than the huge interests of Hongkong, were the tentative attempts of the Japanese to wholly capture this important branch of the China trade to be carried to a successful issue. If steps are to be taken, we commend it to the earnest attention of the guardians of the mercantile interests of the port that they must be taken promptly and decisively. It is now or never.

A NEW postal treaty between Japan and China, which has been under negotiation for some time, is reported to have been signed a few days ago, and it is expected to be officially published shortly.

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FLORIDA WATER TRADE MARKS.

INTERESTING EVIDENCE.

Further evidence was taken by Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz this afternoon, at the Magistracy, in the case brought by Mr. A. W. Lamperski, of Messrs. Mulchers and Company, against the proprietors of the Kwong Sang firm of 247, Des Voeux Road Central, for selling and keeping for sale bottles of Florida water, bearing false labels.

Mr. M. W. Slade, instructed by Mr. H. V. Dawson, of Messrs. Deacons, Looker and Deacons, appeared for the prosecution. Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., instructed by Mr. H. K. Holmes, represented the defendant firm.

Mr. Lamperski, on being examined, said his firm were agents for Messrs. Lanman and Kemp's Florida water for the last thirty years. His Florida water sales had been very considerable during the past seven years. It was at the request of Messrs. Lanman and Kemp that these proceedings were taken. They had also a power of attorney, which was in the German Consulate.

Sir Henry—If he has a power of attorney it must be put in.

Mr. Slade said there was a copy. The original was out of the jurisdiction; it was at Canton.

Sir Henry—It must be put in to prove that it is so.

Mr. Slade—I can prove it on oath.

The letter from Messrs. Lanman authorising the complainants to institute these proceedings was put in as evidence, the witness swearing that the signature on the letter resembled that of Lanman and Kemp.

Sir Henry objected. He said that that was not sufficient to allow of its admission as evidence.

Mr. Slade (to witness)—How long have you known that signature?

Witness—I have seen and know that signature for the last seven years.

Mr. Slade—If that is not evidence I don't know what is.

Sir Henry—It is presumptive evidence; that all. It is not evidence in a civil case and certainly not in a criminal case.

Mr. Slade—The rules of civil and criminal law are the same, except in one case in the Hongkong Ordinances.

Sir Henry said that the letter was not sufficient in the absence of a power of attorney. If this was necessary powers of attorney would be useless; oath commissions would also be useless.

Mr. Slade argued that a letter could be given in anything, except in the case of deeds, which must be under seal.

Under cross-examination, witness said he had lived in Hongkong for seven years. There may be in the world many waters under the generic name of Florida water.

Sir Henry—The words "Florida water" like the word "Eau de Cologne" are descriptive of a particular make of a scent?

Witness—Yes.

Were these words descriptive of a certain kind of perfume?—Yes.

Do the words "Eau de Cologne" designate any particular make?—They do.

Upon your oath, sir, are there not several makers of Eau de Cologne?—There are.

Do not the words "Florida water" describe a perfume without describing by whom that perfume was made?—I don't know an answer to that.

You have heard of a perfume called bay rum?—Yes, but it is not a perfume.

Is it not? Some people think so.—It is a hair wash.

Does bay rum convey to your mind the name of any maker?—I know it is made in Kingston.

Does it convey to your mind the maker's?—No. Bay rum is made in several places in the West Indies?

Do you know if Ribald's make Florida water?—No.

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And Watson's dispensary?—They did three years ago. I don't know now.

Have you not seen a different kind of Florida water in their windows alongside those of Lanman and Kemp?—No.

You have not?—No.

Sir Henry—When you are going home you might look for yourself, and then you can take proceedings against them.

Mr. Slade—Possibly, we will.

Sir Henry—Do you know Colgate and Company of New York?

Witness—Yes.

Are they Florida water manufacturers?—Yes.

Do you know that Watson's sell Colgate's Florida water for years?—I don't know.

Can you read Chinese?—No.

Have you ever heard of a "White Rose" perfume?—I think I have.

Is it not a fact that when you sell Florida water the bottle is wrapped in a blue paper covering the label?—At all times.

This question was the outcome of the question as to whether the label used by Lanman and Kemp and that used by the defendant closely resembled each other. Witness replied that there was a slight difference, but could not be detected by a person looking into a shop window.

Do you claim the exclusive right to use the word "Florida water"?—Yes.

You are not a chemist?—No.

And you don't know how to make Florida water?—No.

Sir Henry—You ought to.

Mr. Slade (to Sir Henry)—Do you know how to make ink?—I don't; but I could.

Proceeding, witness spoke to being present when the police raided defendant's firm and seized several thousand bottles of the water.

May I ask you why you place the liability of a criminal proceeding against the defendant instead of proceeding civilly and get an injunction?—asked Sir Henry.

Witness replied that he was only acting on instructions from the manufacturers.

Is it not a fact that Florida water is always put in bottles like that?—No. I can show you several bottles of different shapes.

Do you not know that in a glass factory there is such a thing as Florida water bottle?—I don't know.

Now, is it not a fact that Florida water is usually put in bottles of that kind?—Usually.

The case was further remanded.

H. PRICE & CO., LD.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of H. Price & Co., Ltd., was held this afternoon. The Chairman, in moving the adoption of the report and accounts said:—

Gentlemen, the report and accounts have been in your hands for some days past. I propose to follow the usual custom to take them as read. As you are aware the company commenced business on the 1st April last year, but was not incorporated until the 28th June. The profit made during that interval was \$4,657 47 as shown in the profit and loss account. A question has arisen as to the legality of utilising this sum of \$5,000 as a special reserve. After writing off all apparent bad debts, your directors have considered it advisable to make a further provision of \$2,000 as a reserve for bad and doubtful debts and to pay a dividend at the rate of 10% per annum. The stock has been taken and valued by Messrs. Lowndes Bingham with the assistance of our staff. The company has been doing as increased business since its formation and the prospects are encouraging. We represent a great number of the largest distilling, brewing and wine growing companies in England and the Continent and having a big turnover are enabled to sell at prices that induce the support of the public. We have entered into special arrangements with the Philippine Company to handle their well known "Commercial" cigars and shall be in a position to quote exceptionally low prices. As it is absolutely necessary that cigars should be presented to the public in the very best of condition, we are installing here a drying room specially constructed for the storage of cigars.

Mr. G. T. Lloyd seconded and the motion was adopted.

"GETTING BACK HIS OWL."

A SCENE OUTSIDE THE POLICE COURT.

A very unusual, and at the same time it must be admitted very amusing scene was witnessed in the compound of the Magistracy, this forenoon, when an excited coolie, who had been convicted and ordered to pay a fine, planted his fist in the neighbourhood of his prosecutor's right jaw. The latter was so thunderstruck that it took him a while to regain his equilibrium and to act. The coolie, a big strapping individual, was arrested yesterday by a Forest Guard for damaging bamboo trees on the hillside at Tai Wan O, a place situated between West Point and Pokfulam. The accused was arraigned this forenoon before Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz, who imposed a fine of \$25; the alternative being one month's imprisonment. The man was then removed from the dock. As he was leaving the Court he turned round sharply on the Forest Guard and struck him on the jaw, at the same time saying: "You have got me this time. Take that." He was about to get in a second blow, but the Guard had recovered his senses by this time, and with the aid of other officers who had seen the assault, the coolie was seized and removed to the charge-room. A second charge—that of assault—was then framed against him, and for this offence a further fine of \$5, or fourteen days' gaol, was passed. After this the coolie seemed very pleased with himself and went "in" to do time.

HIGH JINKS IN TIENTSIN.

They certainly know how to do things in Tientsin, as the following account of some of their proceedings at a recent Spinners' Ball will serve to show; but we must ask the reader is not likely to derive a very flattering idea of the attractiveness of the Tientsin belles when expedients such as those described have to be resorted to in order to obtain to ladies partners.

The passages in question are from the *China Times* of the 4th inst.:

A novel and greatly appreciated feature of the ball was the provision of various devices for securing partners for everybody. We have already alluded to one—the scattering of red hearts containing spinners' names among the crowd of bachelors, who scrambled for them on the floor. Another was a great white sheet, behind which nothing could be seen but a number of hands appearing above the top, these being grasped by those in front, surely an Irishman's device for securing partners, this pig-in-the-poke arrangement. But all the contrivances for filling the dancers' programmes, though many and various, were similar in character to this—the spirit of chaos, red, lucky chance ruled. For one dance, fans were dealt out indiscriminately, these fans being in pairs and every gentleman had to go among the ladies and seek the duplicate of the fan he had received. The men drew cards with ladies' names on them, and had to go and find the ladies. Another device was the disposition of a number of ladies behind a screen—a red screen of course—in front of which a number of men were placed in a row. Then the ladies came and stepped through the paper of the screen, each coming out of a panel as it were, and grasping the hands of the man in front of her and dancing with him. At the last the lights were turned down, and in rushed a number of masked dancers dressed in red and white. Their skirts held a brilliant ladies' fan and they danced with the bachelors, each a fair and handsome girl, and all in the same way.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

BOYCOTT OF JAPANESE GOODS.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 17th March, 1908.

Yesterday morning the Canton Self-Government Association received another telegram from the Chinese in Manila, who expressed their readiness to join the people of Canton in formulating a scheme for the boycott of Japanese goods on account of the persisting demands of the Japanese for the release of the *Ss. Tatsu Maru*.

On the same day another telegram was received by the League from the residents at Shanghai to the same effect.

DR. CHENG HO.

Dr. Cheng Ho, who was deputed by the Government to represent China at the Medical Conference held in the Philippine Islands, returned to Canton yesterday and has reported himself at the viceregal viceroy.

GHUM AGAIN.

A Shanghai telegram states that the Central Government has recently ordered H. E. Shum Chuen-hsun to proceed to Peking, and it is expected that H. E. Shum will probably leave that port for the North about the end of this month.

YUNCHOW RIOT LEADERS.

Last year, when the rebellion in the prefecture of Yunchow was put down, two of the ringleaders surrendered themselves to the military commander, Tsoai Kwok Jen-chang, and they have since served under the said commander as petty officers. These two officers, instead of behaving themselves in a proper manner, often committed serious offences; consequently they have now been benighted by order of the commander, who reported the matter to the Canton authorities yesterday.

ALLEGED COUNTERFEITER IMPRISONED.

A few days ago, the owner of the lodging-house named Fook Cheung was found to be in possession of a large number of counterfeit coins to the value of \$27 together with a forged banknote, and was subsequently arrested. He was placed in the custody of the Nambui Magistrate to await trial and to be dealt with.

LIKIN COLLECTIONS.

The collection of likin dues for the first ten days of the present month as reported by the Likin Bureau amounts to Taels 58,338.512.

BOGUS POLICEMEN.

ATTEMPT TO VICTIMIZE A FARMER FAILS.

At the Police Court, this morning, Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz presiding, two Chinamen—Tan In an, ex-policeman, residing at Queen's Road West, and Lo Tin Poo, of 48, Stanley Street—were charged, at the instance of Inspector Gourlay, with assuming the designation of police officers when not being members of the Force, and with demanding money from menaces.

It was stated that on the night of the 15th instant, the accused called at the house of a farmer—To Fo Kuo—who resides at 43, Wong-nichong Village, and told him that "the Inspector of Police" desired when not being members of the Force, and with demanding money from menaces.

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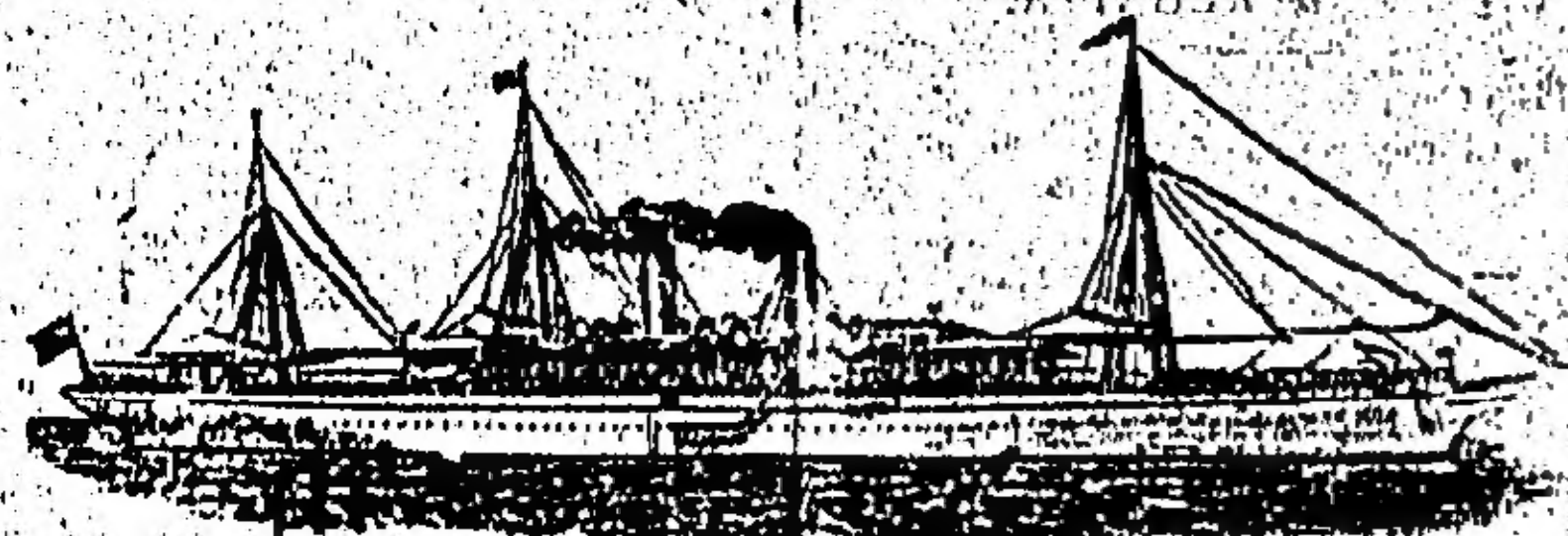
Knowing the first accused was a policeman and not being aware of his discharge from the Force, the farmer started with them for the station. The accused each carried a truncheon (not the regulation kind) and police whistles. When the trio got outside the house, the case of the accused told the farmer that he had got himself into trouble, but that if he gave them "several dollars" they would settle up things. The farmer stated that he had no money, and that he was quite willing to go to the station. The accused then assaulted him with their truncheons. In a minute the villagers, hearing cries, turned out and chased the accused, both of whom escaped. When the police visited the spot they found a truncheon and a cap on the ground. A search for the accused resulted in their arrest yesterday afternoon on the Praya East. When searched the second accused was found with the truncheon and the whistle in his possession.

The charge was proved and the accused were sent to gaol for four months each. They were also ordered to be exposed in the stocks for six hours.

At about eight o'clock on Friday, 6th instant, when the N.Y.K. Australian liner *Yokohama Maru* was going along the pier at Hoboken, a rope fastened to a buoy accidentally parted, and as a result the bows of the steamer collided with that of the M.M. liner *Tanaka* which was lying at the pier. As a result of the collision the latter vessel sustained some damage to her bridge. The matter was settled between the captains of the two vessels, the underwriting being that the cost of repairs be borne by the N.Y.K. The damage is estimated at ¥10,000.

A new motor steam fire engine has just been constructed by Messrs. Merryweather and Sons, of Greenwich, for the Shanghai Fire Brigade. It is especially interesting as being the largest of its kind in the world and has the enormous pumping capacity of 800 gallons per minute. As in other machines of its type, the boiler is fitted with an oil fuel burner and the wheels are shod with solid indiarubber tyres, those in the rear being of twin section. Before being shipped to its destination it was subjected to severe road tests in the neighbourhood of the makers' works, the steep hills leading to Blackheath were negotiated with ease (not that the capabilities in this way will be taxed at Shanghai). It can travel up to 30 miles an hour on the level, 10 on the incline, whilst the powerful boiler is enabled to be completely controlled. The engine was afterwards taken along the Broadway Road to the picturesque pond at Richmond, where an exhibition of its wonderful powers was given. The engine is expected to arrive in Shanghai at the end of the month.

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"EMPRESS OF JAPAN".....	THURSDAY, May 7th	May 25th
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TIENSIN	"KUIHOW".....	21st " 4 P.M.
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Steamers	Tons	To sail
KASATO MARU.....	6,100	Some time First half of April.

Taking Freight and Passengers to other Eastern and Western Coast ports of South America in connection with Steamers of the Pacific S. N. Co.
For further information as to Freight and Passage, apply to
K. MATSUDA,
Manager,
York Building,
Hongkong, 17th February, 1908.

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE New Twin Screw Steel Steamers.

"KWONG TUNG".....Capt. H. W. WALKER.
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Leave Hongkong for Canton at 9 every evening, (Saturday excepted).
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Passage Fare—Single Journey.....\$4.
Meals.....\$1.25 each.
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Hongkong, 14th July, 1907.

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Corrected 14th March, 1908, per 5 Mass.

BUTCHER MEAT.

Cents.

Beef—Prime cut—Mei Lung Pa..... 19
" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk..... 19
" Roast—Shiu..... 19

Breast—Ngau Lam..... 15
Soup—Tong Yuk..... 15
Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa..... 19
" Sirloin—Ngau Lam..... 26
Sausages—Ngau Yuk Chung..... 26

Bullock's Brains—Know..... per set 50
Tongue fresh—Ngau Li..... each 50
" Corned—Ham Ngau Li..... 55

Head—Ngau Tau..... 85
Heart—Ngau Sum..... per lb 13
Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin..... 19
Feet—Ngau Keok..... each 7

Kidneys—Ngau Yiu..... 10
Tail—Ngau Mei..... 17
Liver—Ngau Con..... 12
Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To..... 7

Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-lau-keok..... set \$1.00
Mutton Chop—Yeung Pai Kwat..... 22
Leg—Yeung Pei..... 22

Shoulder—Yeung Shau..... 20
Pigs' Chilliings—Chi cheong..... 23
Brains—Chi Know..... per set 12

Feet—Chi Keok..... 12
Fry—Chi Chak..... 15
Head—Chi Tau..... 7
Heart—Chi Sum..... each 8

Kidneys—Chi Yiu..... pair 18
Liver—Chi Koo..... 28
Pork Chop—Chi Pai Kwai..... 23
Corned—Ham Chu Yuk..... 21

Leg—Chu Pei..... 23
Fat or Lard—Chu Yau..... 18
Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau..... 50
Keok..... set 6

Heart—Yeung Sum..... each 6
Kidneys—Yeung Yiu..... 10
Liver—Yeung Con..... 22
Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai..... 22

Suet Beef—Sang Ngau Yau..... 20
Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau..... 24
Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk..... 20
Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong..... 20

POULTRY.

Chicken—Kai Chai..... 28
Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai..... 20
Ducks—Ap..... 24
Doves—Pan Kan..... each 15

Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan..... per doz. 22
Fowls, Canton—Kai..... 31
Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai..... 27
Geese—Ngo..... 20

Wild Ducks, Shanghai, Sulap..... pair 65
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Wild Ducks Canton—Sang Shing Sulap..... per pair \$ 20

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The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory...

VESSLS IN PORT

Table listing ships in port with columns for ship name, origin, and arrival date.

Steamers Expected

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CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER

Table with meteorological data for the China coast, including wind direction and speed.

Ships and Passengers

Table listing ships and their passengers, including names and destinations.

HONGKONG

Table listing local news and events in Hong Kong.

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Shipping

Arrivals: Carl Diederichsen, Ger. s.s., 774 J. Kayser, 17th Mar., Haiphong 12th Mar., Pakhoi 13th Mar., and Hoihow 16th Mar.

Clearances at the Harbour Office

Amara, for Canton, 17th Mar.; Chiyuan, for Shanghai, 17th Mar.; Nihko Maru, for Nagasaki, 17th Mar.

Passengers arrived

Per Salsang, from Singapore—17 Chinese; Per Hatching, from Coast Ports—Dr. and Mrs. Gibson, Miss Butler, Mrs. Highley and child, Messrs. Binley, MacDonald, and 279 Chinese.

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Per Taitan, for Saigon—Messrs. M. L. Thompson, A. Biaz, A. Soper, A. Luxen, and Rev. P. Montagnon.

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SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. E. S. KADOORIE & Co. Corrected to noon; later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE PERCENT QUOTATION, BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	12,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,500,000 \$1,500,000 \$250,000	\$2,000,387	Final of £2 on old and £1.10/- on new shares for 4-year ending 31.12.07	5 1/2 %	{ \$695 London £75.10/-
National Bank of China, Limited	10,035	£7	£6	£12,735 \$300,000	\$71,203	5s (London 3/6) for 1907	...	\$51
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	1,000	1250	\$50	\$1,500,000 \$310,058 \$471,959	none	\$20 for 1906	8 1/2 %	\$240
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	£125,000 Tls. 100,000 Tls. 48,942	Tls. 204,414	{ Final of 7/6 per share making in all 15/- for 1906—Tls. 2.65	6 %	Tls. 83 sellers
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$3,000,000 \$700,000 \$456,407 £125,137.15/- \$817,628	\$1,460,490	{ Final of \$12 making \$42 for 1905 and interim of \$30 for 1906	5 %	\$840 sales
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	8,000	\$100	\$40	\$800,000 \$159,113 \$1,938	\$391,520	\$12 for year ending 31.12.05	...	{ \$152 \$140 buyers
FIRE INSURANCES.								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$1,000,000 \$140,007 \$13,812	\$374,432	\$6 and bonus \$2/- for 1906	9 %	\$89
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,000,000 \$13,941	\$428,027	\$27 for 1906	9 %	\$295 sales
SHIPPING.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$7,500 \$264,638 \$96,988	\$365	\$1 for 1906	...	\$12
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	15,000	\$50	\$50	\$375,000 \$25,279 \$200,000	Nil.	\$4 for year ending 30.11.1907	10 %	\$40
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	40,000	\$15	\$15	\$600,000 \$275,000 \$75,279 \$200,000	\$16,437	{ \$12 for 2nd half-year making in all \$24 for year ending 31.12.07	7 1/2 %	\$39 sa. and b.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred)	60,000	£5	£5	£300,000 £270,000	£3,694	5/- for 1906 @ ex 2 1/2 = \$2.24 per share	3 1/2 %	{ \$39 \$37
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 75,000 £100,000 £1,871	Tls. 14,510	Final of Tls. 1 1/2 making Tls. 3 1/2 for 1907	7 1/2 %	{ Tls. 45 sellers Tls. 49 sellers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	1,000,000	£1	£1	£1,000,000 \$65,000 \$32,957	172,370	Interim of 1/- (Coupon No. 8) for a/c 1907	4 1/2 %	44/6
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	Tls. 98,000 Tls. 419,479 Tls. 62,000 Tls. 87,200 Tls. 30,000	\$137	{ \$1.00 for year ending 10.4.1907 \$0.50	3 1/2 % 3 1/2 %	\$27 buyers \$13 buyers
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	10,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 500,000 £450,000	18,730	Final of Tls. 2 making Tls. 6 for 1906	12 1/2 %	Tls. 47 buyers
REFINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$100	none	\$9,218	\$8 for year ending 31.12.05	...	\$107 buyers
Luron Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	none	...	\$1 for 1907	...	\$15 sales
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 8,935	Tls. 4 (8 %) for year ending 31.8.06	5 %	Tls. 80 sellers
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	100,000	£1	£1	£100,000 £84,398	£11,556	Final of 1/6 (No. 9) for 1907	7 1/2 %	Tls. 14.70 sales
Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	50,000	£1	£1	£50,000 £4,873	£11,358	No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents	...	\$8
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	£64,124	\$1,726	\$1.75 for year ending 31.12.05	...	\$14
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	61,000	\$50	\$50	£300,000 £268,638 £40,000	\$3,556	Final of 1 1/2 making \$3 1/2 for 1907	6 1/2 %	\$53 sa. ex div.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	£250,000 £100,000 £50,000	\$44,442	Final of \$4 making \$8 for 1907	8 %	\$98
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	35,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 1,000,000 £1,000,000 £1,000,000	10,459	Interim of Tls. 2 1/2 for six months ending 31st October, 1907	7 1/2 %	Tls. 81 buyers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 1,000,000 £1,000,000 £1,000,000	Tls. 23,117	Interim of Tls. 8 for account 1907	8 1/2 %	Tls. 217 sales
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 2,500,000 £300,000 £100,000	Tls. 6,532	Tls. 6 for 1907	6 %	Tls. 100 ex div.
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	10,000	\$25	\$25	\$250,000 £100,000 £100,000	\$10,008	\$24 for year ending 30.6.07	10 %	\$24 buyers
Central Stores, Limited	50,123	\$1	\$1	\$50,123 £64,975 £41,075	\$9,178	Final of 3/4 making \$1 1/4 for 1907	7 1/2 %	\$12
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$600,000 £240,000 £120,000	\$152	{ Final of \$3 1/2 making in all \$7 for year ending 31.12.07 70 cents for 1907	7 % 7 %	\$100 sellers \$10 sa. and b.
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$100	\$100	\$1,000,000 £400,000 £200,000	\$3,915	\$1 1/2 for 1907	7 %	\$25
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$1,500,000 £600,000 £300,000	\$4,621	{ Final of Tls. 3 and bonus of Tls. 2 making in all Tls. 5 for 1907 Final of \$2.10 making in all \$4.40 for year ending 31.12.07	7 1/2 % 8 1/2 %	Tls. 106 sales \$48 buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	7,000	\$50	\$50	none	£653	...	...	...
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 1,523,041 £1,523,041 £1,523,041	Tls. 107,517	...	...	...
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	none	\$1,541	...	...	...
COTTON MILLS.								
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 150,000 £150,000 £150,000	Tls. 8,807	Tls. 2 1/2 for year ended 31.10.1907	4 1/2 %	Tls. 5 1/2 buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	Tls. 23,276 £23,276 £23,276	\$14,269	50 cents for year ending 31.7.07	5 1/2 %	\$9 buyers
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 150,000 £150,000 £150,000	Tls. 85,519	Tls. 6 for year ended 30.9.06 (8 %)	...	Tls. 55 sellers
Laot-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	none	Tls. 8 for 1906	...	Tls. 75
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 28,257 £28,257 £28,257	Tls. 50,663	Tls. 50 for 1906	...	Tls. 270
MISCELLANEOUS.								
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	£1,299 none	£638	1/3 per share for 1906	9 %	\$7 1/2
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	none	Nil.	\$1 for 1904	...	\$11 1/2 sales
China Flour Mill Co., Limited	4,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 50,000 £50,000 £50,000	Tls. 5,995	Final of Tls. 5 making Tls. 10 for 1905	...	Tls. 48 buyers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$25,000	60 cents for year ended 28.2.06	...	\$51
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$3,193	80 cents for 1907	9 %	\$9 sales
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	\$120,000 £50,000 £50,000	\$2,974	\$1.30 for year ending 31.7.07	7 1/2 %	\$17
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$4,000,000 £1,100,000 £1,100,000	\$10,804	Interim of 50 cents per share for a/c 1907	8 1/2 %	\$11 1/2 sa. and b.
Hall & Holts, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	\$420,000 £168,000 £168,000	\$15,002	\$24 for year ending 28.2.07	9 %	\$24 sellers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$2,953	11 per share for year ending 28.2.07	6 1/2 %	\$15
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$125,000 £50,000 £50,000	\$4,578	Final of \$1.5 making in all \$19 for 1907	8 1/2 %	\$225
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$10	\$10	Tls. 500,000 £125,000 £125,000	\$4,212	Interim of 80 cents per share for a/c 1907	8 %	\$26 sales
Maatschappij tot Exploitatie van Landbouwen-planten in Langkat, Limited	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	Tls. 547,500 £136,875 £136,875	Tls. 17,127	{ Final of Tls. 7 1/2 and bonus of Tls. 2 1/2 making in all Tls. 10 for 1907 \$1 per share for period from 10th Oct. to 30th Apr. 07	7 1/2 % 8 %	Tls. 42 1/2 buyers \$13
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$2,655	...	...	...
Peak Tramways Company (new)	50,000	\$10	\$10	none	Nil.	...	...	...
Philippine Company, Limited	75,000	\$10	\$10	none	Nil.	...	...	...
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	24,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000 £25,000 £25,000	Tls. 7,990	Interim of Tls. 3 1/2 for account 1907	...	Tls. 10 buyers
Shanghai Horse Bazaar Co., Ltd.	5,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 67,323 £16,831 £16,831	Tls. 9,751	Tls. 4 for 1905	...	Tls. 40 sellers
Shanghai Paper and Paper Company, Limited	4,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 450,000 £112,500 £112,500	Tls. 3,354	Final of Tls. 5 and Tls. 10 for 1906	...	Tls. 45 buyers
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 600,000 £150,000 £150,000	Tls. 8,493	Final of Tls. 9 making in all Tls. 14 for 1907	11 1/2 %	Tls. 123 sales
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	16,350	£20	£20	Tls. 100,000 £25,000 £25,000	Tls. 85,592	{ Interim of 15/- for account 1907 (old) Interim of 11/3 for account 1907 (new)	...	Tls. 375 sales
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	none	\$41,934	None	...	\$22
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	none	\$478	40 cents for year ending 31.5.07	6 1/2 %	\$6 sellers
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 15,291 £3,823 £3,823	Tls. 201	Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 30.4.07	...	Tls. 97 sellers
Union Waterboat Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$1,111	50 cents for 1907	5 %	\$10 buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$4	\$35,000 £8,750 £8,750	\$1,360	{ 80 cents on 9,000 ord. shares and \$10.80 on 100 Founders shares for y. and 31.5.07	8 %	\$10
Watson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$900,000 £225,000 £225,000	\$5,482	Interim of 30 cents for account 1907	6 1/2 %	\$10 buyers
William Powell, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$41	{ Final of 30 cts. making 80 cts. for the year ended 30th June, 1906	...	\$51

*These shares are entitled to half of the profits.

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MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

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THE Steamship

"MARMORA."

Captain G. H. C. Weston, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails, due 6 A.M. Friday, will be despatched from this for MARSEILLES and LONDON on SATURDAY, the 1st March, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France and London, will be forwarded without transshipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to

F. J. ABBOTT, Acting Superintendent, Hongkong, 16th March, 1908.



STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, DIBOUTI, ROYPT, MARSEILLES, LONDON.

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